



November 9, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: 18-007 – Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am pleased to support Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills. The proposed 12-station chronic renal dialysis facility, to be located at 8851 W 87TH St, Hickory Hills, IL, 60457

Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills facility will improve access to necessary dialysis services in the Hickory Hills community.

I have witnessed extreme growth of both population and of ESRD patients in this area. We have many pre-ESRD patients in my practice that I anticipate referring to the Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills. This facility will better serve the growing number of dialysis patients in my practice.

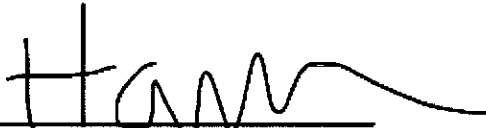
I currently have 156 CKD patients in my practice, of these, I expect approximately 18 to begin dialysis at the Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills in the upcoming year. In anticipation of disease progression, I expect that approximately 67 of these patients would be referred to Dialysis Care Center Hickory Hills facility for dialysis in the first two years of operation. The remaining patients 71 CKD 3 would require dialysis treatment in the following years.

A list of patients who have received care at existing facilities in the area, for the past three years is provided and attached to the original CON application. A list of new patients my practice has referred for hemodialysis for the past year is provided and attached to the original application.

My partners and I will continue to refer patients to the other area facilities per the patient's place of residence and choice. We are also strong supporters of home dialysis through our home therapies programs and will continue to refer those patients who are good candidates for home dialysis services.


I attest to the fact that to the best of my knowledge, all the information contained in this letter is true and correct and that the projected referrals in this document have not been used to support any other pending or approved CON application.

Sincerely,

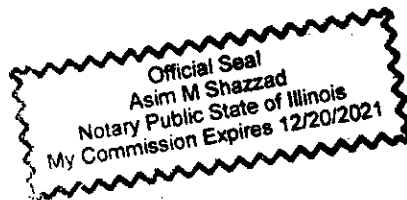

Dr Hani Al-Sharif

Notarization:

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 9th day of November, 2018


Signature of Notary

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Pre-ESRD Patient identified for
Kidney Care Center South - 2018

City	ZIP Code	Stage 5	Stage 4	Stage 3
Hickory Hills	60457	14	51	30
Bridgeview	60455	2	7	17
Palos Hills	60465	2	9	24
Total		18	67	71